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Sir:

Submitted herewith, for the Examiner's consideration, is the International Preliminary Examination Report. Please note the conclusion, in paragraphs 2.5 and 2.6, that the presently claimed invention represents an inventive step with respect to the SAVAGE, YAPP and DE 30 17 226 references. In other words, this is a non-obvious improvement.

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